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The Mysteries of God

By H. V. MILLER

THE REIGN OF CHRIST ON DAVID'S THRONE FOR 1000 YEARS

"I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this MYSTERY, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel UNTIL the fulness of the Gentiles be come in." Rom. 11:25.

The Word of God plainly unveils the MYSTERY of the ultimate restoration of Israel in the land of promise and the reign of the Messiah upon David's throne for 1000 years.

Paul, directed of the Holy Ghost, in writing to the Roman saints, would have them to know that literal Israel is not to be henceforth forgotten. God had not "forever cast away the people which He foreknew," Rom. 11:2, and to whom, in Abraham, the covenant promises had been given. Blindness had happened to Israel, but only for a time, that is, "until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in." After that God would again gather the forsaken Jews and restore to them their promised heritage. "For the gifts and calling of God are without repentance." Rom. 11:26, 29.

That restoration, yet future, is to be Israel's golden age and the day of earth's blessing.

As Israel's tribulation, (Jacob's Trouble. Jer. 30:7.) is to be a day of trouble for all the earth, so Israel's restoration, the MILLENNIUM, is to be for all the earth a time of blessing. "It is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn ungodliness from Jacob:—as concerning the Gospel they are enemies FOR YOUR SAKES: but as touching the election they are beloved for the father's sakes." ("He would keep the oath which He hath sworn to your fathers." Deut. 7:8). "Now if the fall of them be the riches of the world, and the diminishing of them the riches of the Gentiles; HOW MUCH MORE THEIR FULNESS?" Rom. 11:12.

God promised to bless Abraham and his seed but the promise was to be effective only upon a condition, "Get thee out of thy country—unto a land that I will show thee, and I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee—and in thee shall all the families of the earth be blessed." Gen. 12:1. The blessing was to be bestowed upon Abraham as he left his own land and went into a land which God would show him. The test was a test of FAITH. "Abraham BELIEVED God," left his old surroundings and journeyed to the land of promise," and it was accounted unto him for righteous-

ness." Rom. 4:3.

The covenant promise was transmitted from Abraham to his son Isaac, from Isaac to Jacob and his sons who were the heads of the twelve tribes of the Israelites. As each generation received the promise they received with the promise a test of faith.

When Israel had forsaken the land through unbelief and had sojourned in Egypt for 430 years, his descendants were led back to the borders of the land by Moses and there the faith of the whole nation was tested. In the face of the opportunity to repossess the land and to reinherit the blessing, they "could not enter in because of unbelief," Heb. 3:19. Another generation under Joshua, did re-enter Canaan. After Joshua's death Israel led a hectic national existence under various judges for about 300 years. There followed 500 years under the kings during which time the nation was repeatedly warned and exhorted by the prophets to return to the right ways of the Lord. Their disobedience at last culminated in the Babylonian and Assyrian captivities. Seventy years later a remnant returned under Ezra and Nehemiah, remaining in partial possession of the land for about 550 years or until the rejection of Jesus Christ as their Messiah. The city of Jerusalem was then destroyed (70 A.D.) and the Jews finally dispersed among the nations where they have remained for some 1900 years in punishment for their national disobedience.

The children of Israel FAILED
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NOTICES

There will be an all day meeting and basket dinner at the Church of God, Carrier Mills, Ill. Aug. 12, D.V. We extend an invitation to all pastors and their congregations to come and spend the day with us. Also pray much for the success of our revival which will begin Aug. 4. Brother J. R. Thomas of Somerset, Pa. will be here to preach for us throughout the meeting. All are welcome.—John O. Yates, pastor.

We have opened fire on the devil in a brush arbor, the first one ever held in Michigan. Brother Harry Barnard, the drummer from Pontiac, and his wife are doing the preaching. God is blessing. The devil with his satanic force is fighting but the interest is good and the crowds are increasing. Please pray for this new field. — Ruth E. Justin, Lake Odessa, Mich.

The Church of God at Ft. Meade, Fla. would like to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of the following: Eva Mae Eiland, Gracie Crossman and Ruby Burke. — C. V. Yoemans, clerk, Ft. Meade, Fla.

The Church of God at Monclo, W. Va. requests that the following members report at once to the church or clerk concerning their spiritual condition: Cleo Sanders, Ollie Elkins, Melonnia Hall, Lula Strickens, Margaret McCoy, Julia

SPECIAL NOTICE

VALUABLE PREMIUM

During the months of July, August, and September we will give to the individual who solicits and sends us the greatest number of yearly subscriptions to the Evangel at a rate of \$1.00 each, one set of Matthew Henry's Commentary. This valuable set consists of six large volumes edited by the well known Matthew Henry who has been reckoned as one of the world's greatest expositors for now 225 years. It is bound in durable fabrikoid leather, new stock. Hurry or somebody will beat you! There are several pastors who can secure one hundred subscriptions in their own church if they will do it, and if any two will do that, or as many as will, I will give each one a set of these commentaries.

Adams, Maud Zirkles, Cora Hall, Margie Littleton, Ethel Taylor, Ellen Quillin, Oma Hall, Herma Hall, Gertrude Wills, Rosa Littleton, Maudie Reynals, Ethel Traylor, Minerva Crum, Dixie Jarvis, Isabel McNeely, Cousby Trusley, Helen Cunningham, Lena Hall, Ruby Roupe, Grace Roupe, Myrtle Elmore, Laura Scott, Cordelia Stout and Mamie Curry.—J. H. Moore, Monclo, W. Va.

There will be a revival meeting beginning at the Church of God at West Junction, Ohio, Sunday night, Aug. 5, D.V., with Brother David Smith evangelist. The saints are in unity and the fire is burning. Pray for success in this meeting. —Yours for lost souls, H. L. Dillinger, pastor.

Our state overseer, Brother J. W. Culpepper, will be with us the 1st Friday, Saturday and Sunday in September. We invite everybody to come and be with us. We will have a Y. P. E. program Saturday night and all-day services Sunday. The church is located on 43rd St. and Gilbert Ave., Columbus, Ga.—B. D. Smith, pastor.

We will have a home coming at Jamboree, Ky. the third Sunday in August. We will have lots of good preaching and dinner on the ground. Everybody is welcome. Come and enjoy the blessings from God.—Scott Dotson, pastor.

The district convention of the Church of God of the Bluefield district will convene at Pounding Mill, Va., Aug. 24-26 inclusive. All the saints of Virginia and West Virginia are cordially invited, and of other states if they can attend.—Laud L. Vaught, district overseer.

The Appalachian district convention will be held Aug. 31-Sept. 2 at Ramsey church, two miles east of Norton, Va., on Highway No. 64. Brother I. H. Brabson, overseer of Virginia, will be in charge. The ministry and laity of the district are urged to attend. Neighboring districts are also invited to attend and enjoy the convention. May we unite our prayers for the most successful convention ever held in the district. For further information write P. W. Hadsock, district over-

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EVANGEL DRIVE

The months of July, August and September are the hardest months during the year to hold up the subscription list. For these months we have offered one set of Matthew Henry's Commentary to the party sending in the greatest number of yearly subscriptions at a rate of \$1.00 each, or we will give a set of these commentaries to any worker sending in as many as one hundred yearly subscriptions. This set consists of six volumes substantially bound and priced to sell at \$15.00.

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ACCOUNTS

We have just mailed out statements to those who are indebted to the Publishing House. Keep faith with us. Either send the full amount of your account or make regular payments on it until it is paid off. Remember that paper prices have increased. Books and Bibles have also increased in price. Labor in the publishing plant itself was forced to comply with NRA as to wages and hours. We need the money from your account to meet increased operating expense.

There are three temptations that Christians, especially ministers, should beware of. They are the temptations to recline, to shine, to whine.

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While many of the pastors and churches are pushing the 40c per member drive to pay up the general indebtedness of the Church, some seem to have forgotten about it. In which group are you?

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We had an increase of one hundred three in our subscription list last week, that is, we received one hundred three more subscriptions than expired during the week. We have not had time to check up on it this week but we received forty-nine today to add to the list as we go to press. Those who are work-

ing for the Evangel are doing a great work, and will be rewarded along with others who have worked for the Master.

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Brother J. H. Walker, Supt. of Education, has been ill for the past few days with something like appendicitis. Please pray for him. If you have written to him and have not received an answer, please bear with him a few days.

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The General Overseer has just returned from South Carolina where he reports they had a good convention. He only makes a brief stop at the office here before leaving for Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, and Missouri, and will be out of the office for about a month.

God's Remedy for Atheism

By E. C. CLARK

Introduction: An infidel is a man who believes there is a God but is unfaithful in his duty concerning obedience unto Him. The atheist is a man "without God" who also denies God. Right after the World War the politicians were busy trying to make the world safe for democracy. However, democracy is now almost a thing of the past and new forms of government are springing up throughout the whole world. About the same time the politicians were so busy the atheists also set about the task of

making the world safe for atheism. When their product is completed they hope to have the world as a "godless paradise."

TEXT: "When they shall say, peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape." 1 Thes. 5:3.

There were a lot of atheists down in Egypt when Moses and Aaron went down to deliver the children of Israel. "And Pharaoh said, Who (Continued on page 12)

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State Convention Work

S. W. LATIMER, General Overseer

Our Virginia convention met June 8-10 at Roanoke, Va., Brother I. H. Brabson in charge. Brother E. J. Boehmer accompanied me to this convention. On the evening of the opening service the house was filled to its overflow and many were on the outside who could not get in. Many good messages were given during this convention by the Virginia preachers and we feel confident that Brother Brabson has the approval of the Lord on his work in Virginia. Virginia has had a hard struggle for several years but it seems that the church is taking on new energy and power and much good has been accomplished this year in the name of the Lord. At times the power was so great that the speaker would have to stop and wait for the praises to cease so he could be heard. We met many new friends at this convention and we are sure that much and lasting good was done.

Our next state meeting was in Florida, on the Wimauma camp ground. This camp ground is quite a historical place for the Church of God people. Many precious memories cluster around it. As we sat on the stand and looked out thru the green trees all draped with Florida moss, the beautiful lake on the north side of the camp ground presented a beautiful picture. As the anthems of music rolled from the voices of those who were singing the praises of God, our souls were made to rejoice. We heard many good messages at this place from ministers of high rank and wonderful experiences with the Lord. The altar services at night were responded to by hundreds of people. We didn't learn how many people received the Holy Ghost, but a large number wept their way thru to victory. Florida has always taken the lead in all the drives made for orphans and missions, and we have a note of praise for the good people of Florida for their loyalty to the Church and its teachings. The quartet accompanied us to this meeting and it is said by many who heard them that the harmony of their singing far surpassed any quartet they had ever heard. Florida gave them the largest collection they have received this year.

From this place we went to Shelburn, Ind. There we met Bro. Standifer and his co-workers. The Indiana conventions are always accompanied with great power and demonstrations of the Spirit of God. Brother Standifer is a good state overseer and his people love him and where you find love you find unity. This was a wonderful meeting. We had the pleasure of meeting many new friends and some pioneer preachers from other holiness movements, who, we are sure, are interested in the Church of God. This meeting was attended by people from several states. To say God's presence and power was there would be putting it mild. Long live the Church of God in Indiana.

From Indiana we visited Pennsylvania. The convention met in the city park in Somerset. This is a beautiful grove with fifteen or twenty acres covered with maples. It is the best equipped place for camp meeting and convention work of any place we have visited. The church rents this from the city for one week each year. Brother Poteat is a wonderful organizer and those Eastern people are very sincere in their worship. The large shed was filled to its capacity every evening and hundreds stood around the outside. This is an open shed and they had seats on either side for those who wish to sit. It was estimated that there were between 1,500 and 2,000 at this convention every evening. We are sure this was one of the greatest conventions ever held by the Church.

From Pennsylvania we went to Minot, N.D. While the Dakotas are drouth stricken, the drouth hasn't affected good old time religion in the hearts of the people. North and South Dakota, Minnesota and Canada were represented in this convention. They have bought ten acres in a beautiful grove east of the city about one mile, just across the road from the city park. They erected a large shed that would seat about 1,500 people. They raised approximately \$1,200.00 at this convention to pay on this camp ground. All the Northwesterners are very conscientious, they believe

in old time religion. They are plain but neatly dressed. I never witnessed greater power in the altar services. It was estimated that approximately 400 people were in the altar each evening. These services would last until two and three o'clock in the morning. Many received the Holy Ghost at this wonderful feast. It is said that they gave the largest offering for missions of any convention of the year. Brother Walker is a great organizer and is much loved by his people. The quartet did some wonderful singing at this convention and the people seemed to enjoy their singing very much.

From this convention we went to Big Timber, Mont. There we met Brother Robert Seyda and his coworkers in one of the best conventions Montana has ever had. God is blessing Brother Seyda in his labors for the Master in Montana. Montana is rather a hard field. While the work has made slow progress we believe it has been permanent. They now have a number of good able ministers in the state and we are looking forward to a great ingathering of souls. This is located in the irrigating belt and they have been favored with good seasons at this place. We met Brother Pearson who is overseer of Wyoming and we regret so much that we couldn't attend the Wyoming convention but I am sure from what I can learn that their convention at Sheridan was more than a success. Brother Seyda attended this convention in my place.

From Montana we started on our long trip to Alabama, something over 2,300 miles. We traveled thru Montana, Wyoming, South Dakota, Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas, Mississippi, thru to Alabama. On this trip we had considerable trouble with the car. The extreme drouth and hot weather caused the engine to heat and gave us lots of trouble. We were five days on the trip. We saw many clover fields dry enough to burn in Kansas, big droves of cattle being driven away by the government authorities after they had bought them from the farmers to keep them from starving. There is great distress in that country for which all should pray for God to undertake.

The convention in Alabama met in Pratt City, W. W. Harmon, overseer. The good old state of Alabama has always been loyal to the church and she has thousands

of people who love the Bible, its doctrines and teachings. Brother Harmon is having good success in his overseer work in Alabama. This convention was largely attended and in spite of the extreme hot weather it was a glorious occasion and enjoyed immensely by those who had the good fortune to attend.

We have had the good fortune this year of having Miss Thelma Bridwell, who is a school teacher

in Indiana, and her mother, to attend several of our conventions. We appreciate her good talent and aiding in the music. These conventions have been accompanied by the wonderful power of the Holy Ghost. In all the history of the church we feel that they have far surpassed any conventions that we have attended. Keep praying and holding on to God for great and mighty things to be done in the name of the Holy Child Jesus.

ciate him.

3:00 p. m. Y. P. E. service was conducted by Brother E. W. Williams, State Supt. and his assistant, W. B. Sumner. This was a striking service. Brother Sumner rehearsed briefly the infant days of the Y. P. E. and spoke of how it has developed into a glorious, powerful organization. Speakers on the program were Sister Lillian Lamb, Brother James McCoy, and Sister Maggie Chesser. Their talks were inspiring. Several hundred young people occupied the pews at this time. We certainly appreciate our young people of Florida and feel that Brother Williams has their best interest at heart. 8:00 p. m. Brother Earl Paulk brought the message, reading Heb. 10:28-32. His subject was "Punishment Awaits the Wicked." He gave out this message in his usual unique way, bringing scripture after scripture from memory. His message was convincing and convicting and the long altar was filled with hungry seekers.

Friday, June 15

6:00 a. m. Brother E. O. Kerce brought the message using for a text Gal. 3:1. This message was timely and many good thoughts were brought to our minds. A good altar service followed. 8:30 a. m. Bible study was conducted by Brother J. H. Walker, discussing women teaching, child training, and predestination. These Bible studies were all good, always freighted with good things. 11:00 a. m. an offering of \$45.24 was taken for the B. T. S. Quartet, after which Brother L. R. Alderman brought the message, reading Ex. 6:8, his subject being "Bringing Back That Which God Sent us After." This was a good message with many beautiful illustrations. A good altar service followed.

2:00 p. m. fifteen districts representing around eighty-five churches, made their reports which were good, there being around sixty churches on the honor roll for going over the top with their indebtedness quota. Quite a few conversions and church additions were reported. The orphanage and mission offerings were very good. Most all the churches were making their reports regularly and tithing their Sunday School offerings. We people in Florida are determined to be loyal to the church. Look for the Florida people in the rapture. 8:00 p. m. Brother Hicks and Brother Tid-

Florida State Camp Meeting

Wimauma, June 7-17

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Wednesday, June 13

6:00 a. m. sunrise prayer meeting was conducted by Brother E. W. Williams. His subject was "Human Wisdom—Christian Revelation." This was instructive and constructive and given under the power of the Holy Ghost. Numbers came for prayer and many were blessed. 8:30 a. m. Bible study was conducted by Brother J. H. Walker, discussing the oil of Matt. 25; Rev. 11:2; 12:5, 6. We learned many things in this study concerning the rapture. 11:00 a. m. after songs and prayer a testimony service was conducted. Many testified of being healed in the camp meeting, of various ailments. God is healing in the Church of God. 11:15 a. m. Bro. Latimer brought the message, his subject being "The Judgments." He used many scriptures to simplify his message and I am sure every one could understand the judgments better after he had finished this timely message. The more we know about Brother Latimer and the principles and doctrine he defends, the more we love him. We appreciate his firm stand for our Bible rights.

3:00 p. m. Brother J. A. Self brought the message reading Ex. 12th chapter. His subject was "God's Menu." This was a very beautiful and inspiring message. As he pointed out that a good mess of prepared LAMB was the solution of every problem, the power of God fell and the people would say, "Amen, amen;" especially those who had been feasting on that Lamb day after day were made exceedingly happy. A good altar service followed. 8:00 p. m. music by Wimauma string band

and others, and special numbers by B.T. S. Quartet. This quartet did special singing in most every service and it was some of the best we have ever heard. We certainly appreciate these boys and bid them God speed in the name of His dear Son. 6:30 Brother R. P. Johnson brought the message using for a text Eph. 5:14. His subject was "Awake!" This was a short title but a far-reaching subject. God was with him and a message in tongues and the interpretation was given. When the altar call was given people came rushing forward by the hundreds, some receiving the Holy Ghost.

Thursday, June 14

Brother J. M. Hodge conducted the sunrise prayer meeting at 6:00 a. m. His subject was "Threefold Effect of Sin." This was a good message and many came for prayer. Brother Hodge is one of those good old Methodist converted to the Church of God. The devil tried to take his life during the meeting by causing his gas stove to explode but God was with him and tho he was seriously burned he was soon in active service again. 8:30 a. m. Bible study was conducted by Brother J. H. Walker, discussing Dan. 9:26. This was interesting and as we sat and listened to those able preachers discuss these questions our hearts were made to burn within us. 11:00 a. m. Sunday School service was conducted by Brother H. L. Chesser, State. S. S. Supt. Many good things were discussed such as qualifications of teachers, officials, etc. We feel that great good was accomplished. Brother Chesser is a very energetic Sunday School man and is very unbiased in his administration, always working for the highest good of the Sunday School. We appre-

well brought a duet message from Matt. 7:24, "What if you do? What if you don't?" Brother Tidwell preached on "What if you do?" and Brother Hicks on "What if you don't?" This was something new to many but had an astonishing effect on many hearts. Many found their way to the altar and great good was accomplished in this service.

Saturday, June 16

6:00 a. m. sunrise prayer meeting was conducted by Brother John E. Connatser, his subject being "Do you Know Jesus?" Matt. 28:19. It was impressive and timely and a goodly number came for prayer, many being blessed. 8:00 a. m. Bible study was conducted by Brother Latimer, discussing the abomination of desolation spoken of by the prophet Daniel, Dan. 9:27, also Acts 2:38 and Matt. 28:19 were discussed. This study was helpful to a number of our good people, especially some of the preachers. Brother Latimer is a wonderful teacher and a great inspiration to the people. 11:00 a. m. he brought the message using for a text Isa. 10:3, "Where Shall Ye Leave Your Glory?" This was another special message given under the anointing of the Holy Ghost. The altar was filled with hungry seekers and many souls were blessed.

3:00 p. m. Brother Latimer brought a wonderful message to the ministers and their wives, which was a masterpiece and one great need of the hour. I am sure must last long good was accomplished. We shall never forget some of the things that were said. As soon as he finished his message he took his departure for other parts. It caused us inward pain to see him go but while he left, he went to others to bless and do good. May the dear Lord bless our General Overseer. 8:00 p. m. an announcement of the Y. P. E. convention Aug. 24-26 at Wimauma was made. Brother W. D. Childers brought the message, using Matt. 28:19 as a text, "Lo I am With You Always." This was very touching and brought conviction to the hearts of the people and a good altar service followed.

Sunday, June 17

6:00 a. m. sunrise prayer meeting was conducted by Brother E. L. Newton. His subject was "Adoption by Faith." It was a beautiful message and very inspirational. A good altar service followed. 8:00 a.

m. Bible study was conducted by Brother R. P. Johnson, discussing braided hair and baptizing for the dead. This was instructive. Many received help. 11:00 a. m. an offering of \$81.16 was taken for the quartet, making their offerings total \$126.40. Brother R. P. Johnson brought the message on "Attributes of Divine Love." He fully explained the workings of divine love and I am sure everybody understood. Tho Brother Johnson is badly crippled in one leg, his preaching seems to get better all the time and his spirit is not lame in the least. He did some wonderful preaching during the camp meeting. I would like to say here that we had no sorry preaching during this great feast.

3:00 p. m. Brother J. H. Walker spoke in interest of the Bible School, using for a text 2. Tim. 2:15. His message was given out in that good, friendly, godly, sympathetic way. We appreciate having a young, God-fearing, God-loving man like Brother Walker to conduct the affairs of Bible Training School. Quite a number of young folks from Florida are anticipating attending next term. Brother Walker has made friends in Florida for the Bible School as well as for himself. 8:00 p. m. a special musical program was rendered by B. T. S. Quartet. A testimony service was conducted by Brother J. T. Roberts and many expressed gratitude for blessings received in the camp meeting, which excelled any previous camp meeting, not only in spirituality but in attendance. At night the big tabernacle was overflowing. The thirty cottages and three gospel tents for the accommodation of the people, were all full and several slept in the tabernacle. Brother Johnson was the Evangel booster during the camp meeting, securing ninety subscriptions, new and old. We consider this one of the best camp meetings in every respect in the history of the Church.

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KENTUCKY STATE REPORT

John C. Jernigan, State Overseer

There has been but little said thru the Evangel this year about the blessings of God upon the labors of our Kentucky ministers, therefore I have decided to give a brief report of our work since the General Assembly.

The ministers of Kentucky have conducted many successful revivals and most of them have been

real shepherds to their flocks. Some have been slack about making monthly reports to Headquarters, therefore we cannot give you a complete report of their work, but they have reported from November to June, a period of eight months, 4619 homes visited, 5511 sermons preached, 1227 souls saved, 560 sanctified, 458 baptized with the Holy Ghost, 321 baptized in water, and 574 added to the Church of God.

We have set in order fifteen new churches all of which have been supplied with pastors. We have licensed seventeen new preachers with others to be licensed soon, built or took over five church buildings with others being built now, repaired and finished a few other buildings, built one new parsonage, bought over two acres of land in the city of Somerset in a few feet of a very fine spring of water. Plans are now under way to build a state parsonage, a large tabernacle 100x100 feet, camp houses, kitchen and dining hall for our state conventions, and a statewide camp meeting.

Our state convention this year was fine but we have no building large enough to accommodate a progressive people like the Kentuckians, therefore with the hearty co-operation of the Kentucky churches and ministers we expect to build a tabernacle unto the name of the Lord for these great meetings.

We now have about eighty-four preachers in the state, eighteen bishops and sixty-six evangelists. All have been reporting but about two or three but some do not report regularly. Our monthly report list averages around sixty-five a month. We have on record seventy-eight churches with seventy-three holding regular services, five are inactive and some of them will possibly be disbanded before the General Assembly and the loyal members transferred to other churches.

So far this has been Kentucky's best year and by the Assembly we hope to be able to give a much better report. We have not yet raised our General Indebtedness quota but have raised a few hundred dollars. I do not have the exact amount but several churches are over the top.

Since January we have been publishing a small paper, The Inspiration, printed on a duplicator,

four pages, size 8½x11 inches, which is mailed free each month to every preacher in the state of Kentucky. It carries general reports of our state work. It has indeed been a blessing and inspiration.

When you pray we will appreciate you asking God to help us with our state buildings. It would be a big undertaking for poor people without God, but with Him we expect to complete the work.

The Jews

MRS. CELIA CREWS

With the rejection and crucifixion of Christ, the sorrows of the Jewish race began. In A. D. 70 Jerusalem was taken and the Jews scattered. (Luke 21:24), with the promise that after two days (of one thousand years each) they should be regathered. They will make a seven year covenant with the Antichrist who will break it in the middle of the seven years of tribulations (Dan. 9:27) and set up an image in the temple in Jerusalem and cause all to worship it or be killed and all who would buy or sell must take a mark (666) in their right hand or forehead. Rev. 13:14-18 Then there shall be great tribulation such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, nor ever shall be, and except those days be shortened there should no flesh be saved. Matt. 24:15-22.

The Two Witnesses

At this period of the great tribulation we fully believe God in His infinite mercy shall send His two witnesses to prophesy forty-two months. These will not be killed or hurt in any wise until their prophecies are finished. Rev. 11:7. A wonderful revival will break out thru the preaching of these two witnesses, for we see a great election of the Jews sealed for God, out of each of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel; also a great multitude which no man could number of all nations and kindreds and people and tongues stood before the throne and before the Lamb clothed with white robes and palms in their hands and cried with a loud voice saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne and unto the Lamb. In V. 14 we find these came out of great tribulation and washed their robes and made them white in the blood

of the Lamb. Rev. 7:4-14.

The Souls Under the Altar

"And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and the testimony which they held: And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth? And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellow-servants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled," Rev. 6:9-11.

The Song of Moses

"And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God. And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, Great and marvelous are thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are thy ways, thou King of saints. Who shall not fear thee, O Lord, and glorify thy name? for thou only art holy: for all nations shall come and worship before thee; for thy judgments are made manifest," Rev. 15:2-4.

The New Song

"And I looked, and lo, a lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred and forty and four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads. And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps: And they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth. These are they which are not defiled with women; for they are virgins. These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb. And in their mouths are found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God," Rev. 14:1-5.

Signs of the Times

Strange things are happening in

the world today. The seven years of tribulation may be nearer than we think. God is doing a quick work in these last days. Perilous times are upon us. The scriptures are being fulfilled in a wonderful way. God in His great mercy and compassion for His beloved people, the Jews, is whipping them back to their own homeland from other countries where they have been scattered and driven in the cloudy and dark day, that He may bless and save them. In all their persecutions we can see the blessed hand of God. In their trials and testings they will begin to look toward Jerusalem and to call upon the God of Israel and begin to claim the promises unto them in the scriptures where He promised to bless them if they would return unto Him.

REQUESTS

Please pray that God will heal my body as I am not able to do my work. I am hardly able to go to service.—Your brother in Christ, Clayton Woods, Rt. 2, Chavies, Ala.

Every one please have a special prayer for Brother J. H. Walker, Supt. of Education, as he is very sick. They think he must have appendicitis. His case is serious and we ask that you pray earnestly for God to touch and heal his body. He is depending on our prayers.

Please pray for the Lord to heal my body. I know He can if it is His will. Pray that I'll have more faith.—Your trusting sister, Mrs. A. J. Gunter, Rt. 2, Box 113, Perry, Fla.

We are in a revival about four miles north of Colquitt, Ga. The Lord is blessing. God met with us in the first of the meeting. The power fell, the saints were revived, one got saved, and one sanctified. We are looking for a great revival. We ask all the children of God to pray for the meeting. This is a new field but the people are seeing the light on the Holy Ghost and the Church of God. Pray that we will get a church built here. God can make a way if we trust Him.—H. R. Davenport, Rt. 3, Colquitt, Ga.

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Missions & Missionaries

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MISSIONARY LIFE AND WORK IN GUATEMALA, C. A.

In my last article I had for my subject, the ancient Mayan race, dealing at length with their lost civilization, so I thought it would be well to follow this up with some account of missionary life and work among their present-day descendants, especially the Cakchiquels and Quiches, two of the most prominent tribes, whose number is approximately one-half million. The population of Guatemala consists of about two-thirds Indian, principally of Mayan stock; they are referred to as "los naturales or primitivos." The other third consists of mixed native and European stock, largely descended from the Spanish "conquistadores" and are called "ladinos."

In Guatemala City

When I arrived in Guatemala City it was raining, and being a total stranger, I knew nothing else to do but put up at a hotel until I could look about a little and get my bearings and check up on things a bit.

The first of our missionaries contacted were members of the Central American Mission, a work founded by the late Rev. C. I. Scofield. They have about sixty missionaries on the field in addition to a large number of native workers, with others in training. About forty prospective workers are enrolled at the C. A. Bible Institute in this city. I shared quarters with Rev. A. J. Anderson, Dean, and Rev. J. G. Cassell, Bible teacher, while in the capital. Mr. Anderson came to Central America about nine years ago with his wife whom the Lord took a year ago leaving him with two little motherless girls in a strange land. Mr. Cassell has put about eighteen years on this field. The Superintendent, Rev. F. G. Toms, and wife have spent about thirty-two years of their lives in the Guatemalan mission field; others as high as forty-seven years, and still active. I met a brother here from near my old home in the States, Mr. W. H.

Stevens, who showed me no little kindness. He has never been married though past middle age, devoting his life to the cause of the Lord. Upon being asked if he would not like to return home to see his people and friends after an absence of several years, he replied, "Yes, but I never expect to return, as I am here to stay until Jesus comes or calls." This struck me very forcibly.

The work of Miss B. Estella Zimmerman in connection with her orphanage and day school, founded twenty-one years ago, is commendable. At present she has about forty in the orphanage and about one hundred thirty-five enrolled in the day school. Various trades are taught in connection with the work here. I regret that time and space do not permit me to make further mention of this noble work, together with the names of the other missionaries, for as a whole they treated me very, very kindly and always seemed willing to help me in any way they could. We should bear in mind the fact that persons going into a strange land have a lot to learn, even though they may have a fair knowledge of the language and customs of the people.

It rained almost incessantly for two weeks after my arrival in Guatemala and a great storm of hurricane proportion was blowing over Central America, taking a few thousand lives and millions of dollars in property damage, according to reports. In the meantime I contacted the President by letter and got written permission to proceed with my work as planned. I visited various missions including the work of the Pilgrim Holiness folks, Rev. and Mrs. A. R. Higgs at "la colina evangelica," and made a week-end trip to San Juan Sacatapéque, an Indian town in the mountains near by. I also gave out hundreds of tracts to everybody possible, in every walk of life, and a few gospels. The President's private secretary wrote me for a copy of the Bible as he was interested in the gospel. The people accepted the tracts readily and seemed anx-

ious to get them, as a rule, some of them asking for more.

To Panajachel

The brethren at the institute provided me with a couple of sleeping-bags, a wool one for the cold nights in the high mountain regions and a cotton one for the hot tropical lowlands, so I rolled up a change of clothing inside, packed my briefcase, swung them across my shoulder from a stick and set out for the interior. I rode nine miles or so in an auto to a little town called Mixco, way up the side of the mountain, and from there I walked about forty-three miles to the town of Patzicia. Leaving Mixco the trail led up over a high mountain pass some 3,000 feet higher than the mile-high level of Ciudad Guatemala. On the way I met many Indian pack-peddlers or merchants. They have a sort of a portable stand called "kakaste." Their goods are packed in and on this contraption, then it is suspended upon their backs from a rawhide strap which is passed around the forehead. To give you some idea of the loads they carry, I met a sixteen year old boy on the way with twelve large water pots each with a capacity of around three gallons and weighing about eight pounds each, including the kakaste, his blanket roll and some other things inside. It weighed over one hundred pounds and the little fellow did not weigh much more, and he was bound for another town about one hundred and twenty miles away. He would have to make good time to reach his destination in four days, as he had several high mountains to cross, one around 10,000 feet above sea level, and he had to buy food out of the pay of about seventy-five cents which he was to receive, and this is no exception to the rule, but is a common everyday affair, affecting thousands of laborers, with others held in practical slavery under "iron-fisted" plantation bosses who pay at the most about twenty cents a day. But thanks to goodness, the present administration has passed laws abolishing the present cruel system of peonage, but what of the poor fellow with the pack on his back? Almost everything weighing less than one hundred and twenty-five pounds, is transported in this manner. The women too carry great loads on their heads and in their hands, many of them with babies tied upon their backs,

and they go in a trot as a rule. I feel so sorry for these poor people sometimes I just have to break down and cry, to think they are so freighted down with not only temporal burdens, but spiritual as well.

On this road I met a large company of soldier recruits a few regulars had rounded up. They have compulsory military service here. I neglected to take any lunch along and became very hungry before I reached a settlement where food could be had, but I was refreshed by eating wild blackberries and drinking cool spring water. A little farther along I passed through the town of Antigua at the foot of two high volcanos, one of which was smoking. This town is built within the ruins of the ancient capital of Guatemala, which was destroyed by earthquakes and volcanic eruptions. Sometime after dark I came upon some of these Indian pack peddlers encamped beneath a shed beside the way and I was so tired by then I slid feet first into my sleeping bag for a night's snooze, and the tile bricks forming the floor did not seem hard at all.

I arrived in Patzicia next day shortly after noon. Here I met Dr. H. A. Becker, a medical missionary from the U. S. who has put in about twenty-seven years on this field. His wife died a short time ago leaving him all alone. Here I met Rev. Carl Malmstrom, Supt. of the Robison Institute C. A. M. at Panajachel and Rev. and Mrs. Frank Bundy, members of the faculty, and continued by auto the rest of the way, making the thirty-five miles or so in three hours, passing over some very rugged mountain roads which led through some wild country.

On to Chicacao

Panajachel is near the shore of Lake Atitlan, a very large body of water on the 5,000 foot level, surrounded by several high volcanos. The beauty of the scenery is beyond description. From here the above named party of us started out for the town of Chicacao thirty-five miles away, being accompanied by two Indian brothers. We left sometime before daylight and the first fourteen miles was across the lake, riding in a dug-out canoe made from the body of a large tree. This was quite an experience for me. Some of the Indian merchants stood up and rowed us across. One of our party developed a bad case of sea-sickness and had to stop for a rest in the

mission station in Santiago de Atitlan before going on.

The folks at Chicacao heard we were coming and sent a couple of animals. We used one of them for transporting our packs and Mrs. Bundy mounted the other, while the rest of us set out afoot. We arrived in time to get a little rest before service. We spent four days at this place which is way down on the Pacific slope, bordering upon the coastal region, where it is very hot. We enjoyed feasting on the nice tropical fruits and the good wholesome native food prepared by the sisters in attendance. They were up long before day grinding out the bread stuff for breakfast. They have a large square stone shaped from a hard flinty volcanic rock. The corn is boiled in lye-water first, to remove the husks, after being washed is placed upon the large stone and rolled out or mashed with another smaller stone made of the same material and shaped somewhat like a rolling pin. The bread is of the unleavened sort and is baked upon an earthenware vessel resembling a platter.

On the two main meeting days we had four services beginning at sunrise in the morning. The Lord met with us in a special way. The messages were given in Spanish and interpreted into the Cakchiquel. Two souls took a definite stand for Christ in these meetings. When these people break away from their old sinful ways and start out to follow Jesus, they often have to undergo untold persecutions at the hands of their fellowmen. Large crowds were in attendance, some walking for thirty-five miles to get there, over rugged mountain trails, others wending their way through thick tropical jungles of the hot lands. The mission station and compound were converted into sleeping quarters during the time. We were visited with a hard earthquake shock on one occasion, in the middle of the night, causing no little stir among the folks who were aroused from their peaceful slumbers. The next morning I noticed that the fresh volumes of black smoke and ashes were ascending thousands of feet into the air from the infernal regions within the famous volcano "Santa Maria" some distance away, presenting an awe-inspiring scene.

Don Jose Dolores Pirir, a native Cakchiquel brother, who is a grad-

uate of the Robison Institute, is in charge of the work here. He lives in a native one-room hut made from bamboo canes and grass, the component parts being tied in place with a leather-like vine called "bijuco." Don Jose and his good wife spared no pains in their effort to make us happy and comfortable during our stay in their midst, which was greatly appreciated on my part.

I wish time and space would permit me making mention of the visit to the "fincas" or fruit and coffee plantations. The Catholics were having some kind of a fiesta at this time. A couple of young boys had climbed into the belfry of the little two-towered temple and were feverishly ringing the bells at intervals between the time when a couple of others—who also had gone aloft—were playing upon a crude wind instrument of native construction and beating a tom tom, the music sounding much like that commonly played in circus side-shows in connection with lude women performances. Within the worshipers were busy burning candles before this shrine and that one. In most of the large temples of worship they have the shrine of the black Christ, some believing that Christ had a black body, but in most every instance their Christ is a dead one and fastened upon the cross, never being represented as the risen triumphant one. But, in this case they had a life-size image robed in a white silken garment and reposing upon a soft silk bedecked bed within a glass coffin-like case. Two large marimbas were arranged in front of the temple on the lawn. This instrument of which the finest American made xylophone is a poor imitation, is native to Central America. And while the Guatemalans, unlike the Mexicans, have no song in their natural state, they, like other Latin Americans, are gifted to a large degree with what is termed as "musical memory" and usually they only have to hear a piece played through once, after which they are able to take up the strain and play the number through with perfect harmony and rhythm. I was just thinking how Professor McCoy would enjoy teaching a class of these young folks.

On the return trip to Panajachel I rode a pony which was sent me by some unknown friends at one of the coffee plantations, or at

least I rode to the top of the mountain from where I walked the other three miles to Sanitago de Atitlan. This was the first time I had ridden a horse to any extent for some twenty-five years or so, so it was quite a thrill winding around the trail up the side of the rugged mountain where in places a blunder would mean death for the horse and rider. One sixteen year old Indian maiden, who was a member of our party, was taking her first horse-back ride and seemed to be quite scared at first.

We arrived at the lake-shore too late to take passage for the other side, and spent the night in the mission station, enjoying a good rest in our sleeping-bags upon the nice soft benches. This town is built in the middle of a large pile of black volcanic rock at the base of a very high volcano. The rocks were gathered out and formed loosely into walls bordering the narrow streets which were usually no more than six or eight feet wide. The stones also went into the building of their homes, which consisted of low walls with pointed-topped, grass-thatched roofs, crowned with a large inverted earthenware vessel. They have only the ground for a floor and do not have any tables or beds as a rule. Large families live in the one-room home, eat with their fingers from crude vessels in which the food is cooked over an open fire in the middle of the floor. It was quite cool on this mountain lake-shore, so we joined one of these family groups seated about the fire and shared lunch with them before retiring. As the night grew on, one could imagine oneself in Africa. We could hear the rapid beating of the tom toms in a distant hut where in all probability the natives were going through some of their heathenish religious rites.

I could write a book it seems, but as this is getting too lengthy I just must close. In my next article I will tell you of my wild ride on old "Patsy," the demon possessed mule, over other mountain passes up to around the 10,000 foot level, and of my personal contact with the great Quiche tribe after leaving the missionaries. The closing article will be filled with interesting accounts of wonderful meetings with great out-pourings of the Holy Ghost, and the apparent good accomplished on this trip to Central America. To say the least, it has been a success, being

the present climax to my fifteen years' work in the home and foreign field. So watch the paper if you have any interest in these writings, and by all means please pray for me.

Your good-will ambassador to Latin America, J. H. Ingram.

THE MYSTERIES OF GOD

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to carry out the purpose of God in calling them out as a SEPARATE NATION. Their national history is the history of stiffnecked rejection of JEHOVAH'S WILL and a gain-saying of His commands. Stephen, in reviewing Israel's history, sums up his message in the words, "Ye stiffnecked and uncircumcised in heart and ears, ye do always resist the Holy Ghost, as your fathers did so also do ye." Acts 7:51. Stephen, further said, "Which of the prophets have not your fathers persecuted? They have slain them which shewed before the coming of the Just One." Acts 7:52 Paul says, "To Israel He saith, All day long I have stretched forth my hands unto a disobedient and gainsaying people," Rom. 10:21.

So Israel failed to inherit the promises as they failed to possess the land because of their disobedience and their UNBELIEF.

THE FULFILLING OF THE PROMISES MADE IN THE ABRAHAMIC COVENANT AWAITS ISRAEL'S REPENTANCE AND RESTORATION TO THE LAND OF PROMISE. This restoration was clearly predicted by the same prophets who foretold the dispersion. The gathering is as certain as the scattering. In Rom. 11:20, 23 it is written, "Because of unbelief they were broken off * * * and they also, if they abide not still in unbelief shall be grafted in again." "Thus saith the Lord God; when I SHALL HAVE GATHERED the house of Israel from the people among whom they are scattered and shall be sanctified in them in the sight of the heathen, THEN SHALL THEY DWELL IN THEIR LAND that I have given to my servant Jacob," Ezek. 28:25. "I even I, will both search my sheep and seek them out * * * and will deliver them out of all places where they have been scattered in the cloudy and dark day. I will bring them out from the people, and gather them from the countries, AND WILL BRING THEM TO THEIR OWN LAND * * * I will

set up one shepherd over them * * and I the Lord will be their God and my servant David a prince among them. I THE LORD HAVE SPOKEN IT." Ezek. 34:11-23, especially verses 11, 13, 23 and 24. "And I will cause the captivity of Judah and the captivity of Israel to return, and will build them as at the first, and I WILL CLEANSE them from all their iniquity whereby they have sinned against me, and I WILL PARDON all their iniquities." Jer. 33:7-8.

So many are the Scripture passages that refer to the scattering and gathering again of the Jews that it would take more than one entire issue of the Evangel to print them all. We will list chapter and verse on some of the principal passages unveiling this MYSTERY. The Scattering: Deut. 4:23-28; 11:16, 23; 28:15, 25, 36, 37; also 28:64-66; 29:26-28; Jer. 9:13; and 16; 13:17; 15:14; 16:12-13; 17:4; 20:4-6; 22:26, 24:8-9; 34:17; Ezek. 20:23; 39:23-24, etc.

The Gathering: Deut. 4:29-31; 30:1-10; Isa. 14:1; 60:15-21; 61:3-7; Jer. 12:14-15; 16:14-15; 23:7-8; 27:22; 29:10-14; 30:3; 32:42; 33:7; 46:27; 50:17-20; Lamentations 3:31; 4:22; Ezek. 11:17; 20:34; 28:25; 36:24-25, 33; 37:26; 39:28, etc.

Israel in captivity has been a reproach to the name of God but Israel restored to the land, pardoned and cleansed, will be to God's glory through the entire earth. "When they entered unto the heathen, whither they went, they profaned my holy name, when they said to them, these are the people of the Lord. But I had pity for mine holy name, which the house of Israel had profaned among the heathen, whither they went * * *. The heathen shall know that I am the Lord, saith the Lord God, when I shall be sanctified in you before their eyes. For I will take you from among the heathen and gather you out of all countries, and will bring you into your own land. Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean; from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you. A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments and do them. And ye shall

dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and ye shall be my people and I will be your God." * *

"Then shall ye remember your own evil ways, and your doings that were not good, and shall loathe yourselves in your own sight for your iniquities and for your abominations. Not for your sake do I this, saith the Lord God, be it known unto you: be ashamed and confounded for your own ways, O house of Israel. Thus saith the Lord God; in the day that I shall have cleansed you from all your iniquities, I will also cause you to dwell in the cities and the wastes shall be builded. And the desolate land shall be tilled, whereas it lay desolate in the sight of all that passed by. And they shall say, **this land that was desolate is become like the garden of Eden** * * *." "Then the heathen that are left round about you shall know that I the Lord build the ruined places, and plant that that was desolate: **I THE LORD HAVE SPOKEN IT AND I WILL DO IT.**" Ezek. 36:20-36.

"In the last days it shall come to pass that the mountain (kingdom) of the house of the Lord shall be established in the top of the mountains (kingdoms) and it shall be exalted above the hills (nations); and people shall flow unto it. And many nations shall come and say, Come, let us go up to the mountain (kingdom) of the Lord and to the house of the God of Jacob; and He will teach us His ways, and we will walk in His paths; **for THE LAW SHALL GO FORTH OF ZION, AND THE WORD OF THE LORD FROM JERUSALEM.**" Mic. 4:1-2. Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given and the GOVERNMENT shall be upon His shoulder; and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Of the increase of His government and peace there shall be no end. **UPON THE THRONE OF DAVID.** The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this." Isa. 9:6-7, "The spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord:

"He shall not judge after the sight of His eyes,
Neither reprove after the hearing of His ears:
With righteousness shall He judge the

poor,

And reprove with equity for the meek of the earth:

"He shall smite the earth with the rod of His mouth,

And with the breath of His lips slay the wicked.

Righteousness shall be the girdle of His loins,

And faithfulness the girdle of His reigns.

"The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, And the leopard lie down with the kid; The calf and the young lion and fating together;
A little child shall lead them.

"The cow and the bear shall feed; Their young shall lie down together; The lion shall eat straw like the ox, The suckling child shall play on the hole of the asp,—

"THEY SHALL NOT HURT NOR DESTROY

In all my holy mountain—
The knowledge of the Lord shall fill the earth

As the waters cover the sea."

Isa. 11:2-9.

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"He shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks: nation

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shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore. But they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree; and, none shall make them afraid: **FOR THE MOUTH OF THE LORD OF HOSTS HATH SPOKEN IT.** The Lord shall reign over them in mount Zion from henceforth, even forever." Micah 4:3,4,7. In that glad millennial day there will be both peace and plenty for all. The Church age saints are to have a part in the administration of righteous government in that wonderful period, the thousand-year-day of earth's blessing and Israel's rest. "They lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years." Rev. 20:4, 6.

I am watching for the coming of the glad millennial day,
When our blessed Lord shall come and catch His waiting Bride away,
Oh! my heart is filled with rapture as I labor, watch and pray,
For our Lord is coming back to earth again.

Jesus coming back will be the answer to

earth's sorrowing cry,
For the knowledge of the Lord will fill the earth and sea and sky;
God shall take away all sickness, and the sufferer's tears will dry,
When our Savior shall come back to earth again.

Yes the ransomed of the Lord shall come to Zion then with joy,
And in all His holy mountain nothing hurts or shall destroy;
Perfect peace shall reign in every heart, and love without alloy
After Jesus shall come back to earth again.

Then the sin and sorrow, pain and death of this dark world shall cease
In a glorious reign with Jesus of a thousand years of peace.
All the earth is groaning, crying for that day of sweet release,
For our Jesus to come back to earth again.

Oh our Lord is coming back to earth again,
Yes our Lord is coming back to earth again;
Satan will be bound a thousand years,
We'll have no tempter then, after Jesus shall come back to earth again.

GOD'S REMEDY FOR ATHEISM

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is the Lord, that I should obey his voice to let Israel go? I know not the Lord, neither will I let Israel go." Ex. 5:2. Pharaoh was bent on holding the Israelites as bond slaves. The stroke of atheism is but another effort on the part of Satan to try to hold the people in bondage and in sin. 2 Tim. 2:26. The fight of atheism to exterminate God from the universe and as master of the human race will be repulsed in the same manner and after the same order as God dealt with Pharaoh, king of Egypt. In Ps. 76:10 it is written, "Surely the wrath of man shall praise thee." God also said unto Pharaoh, "For this cause have I raised thee up, for to show in thee my power and that my name may be declared throughout all the earth," Ex. 9:16. The wrath of the atheist as he is so enraged against God will in the end result in God being praised and extolled among His people when they are made to triumph over atheism, even as the Israelites sang praises at their deliverance from the hand of Pharaoh.

Judgment

When the Egyptians refused to let Israel go, God, through His servants, smote the land with many

curses. God is omnipotent and not only does He send judgment for the purpose of chastising the wicked but also for the purpose of correcting evil. With judgment there always comes a manifestation of the invisible and miraculous working of the hand of God. When Moses cast down that shepherd's staff it became a serpent and was in part imitated by the sorcerers and magicians of Egypt, in that "they cast down every man his rod and they became serpents, but Aaron's rod swallowed up their rods." Ex. 7:12. Here the end of the whole Egyptian contest was in complete manifestation. With the maneuver of Aaron's rod the rivers of Egypt were turned into blood, the land was covered with frogs, the dust of the land became lice, swarms of flies covered the land, the cattle of Egypt were smitten with murrain, both man and beast were visited with a plague of boils, the land was visited with thunder, hail and fire very grievous. The land of Egypt was also covered with locusts and thick darkness, and finally the end of these judgments came with the slaying of all the firstborn of Egypt. Then Pharaoh said, "Get thee from me."

God's Way

In this case God dealt with the atheists of Egypt by manifestation

of the miraculous. There could have no longer remained in Pharaoh's heart any question as to there being a living God. Not only does God give suitable revelations of Himself to inspire His servants but in manifestation of His judgments He gives sufficient evidence of divine omnipotence to convince even an atheist. It is queer that mankind has become so duped as to believe a lie that they may be damned. 2 Thes. 2:11, 12. The devil knows there is a living God. Devils knew the Son of the living God. Matt. 8:29. These believe and tremble, Jas. 2:19. After all the efforts of atheistic teachers it remains that Antichrist himself will also defy and withstand God after personally knowing of His existence and the rapture of the saints as is evidenced by the following: "And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven." Rev. 13:6.

The purpose of God's judgment upon the Egyptians as well as all other of Israel's enemies had but one purpose in view and that, that He might be glorified through His own people by defending them from their enemies and that He might be honored upon their enemies by destroying them. God works His divine miracle to inspire the faith of and satisfy the heart of His own people. For them He turned the bitter waters sweet, Ex. 15:23-25. He rained manna from heaven, Ex. 16:14. He brought water out of the flinty rock, Ex. 17:6. He will guide them with tangible signs lest they miss the way wherein they should go.

The Atheists' Complaint

The atheists complain that the Christian religion is the enemy of success and scientific advancement. They contend that Christianity renders the people impotent of will. Does the history of God's chosen people sustain these facts? Are atheists more successful or prosperous than were Abraham or Lot, or than David and Solomon in their day? These kings were said to be more glorious in their reign than were any other kings in the earth. Was David rendered impotent of will by his religion? Did he not slay Goliath and conquer the Philistines? Did he not destroy all nations that oppressed Israel? Religion does give a sympathetic

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LESSON 7

AUGUST 12

AMOS PLEADS FOR JUSTICE

TEXT: Amos 5:1, 10-15, 21-24 — MEMORY VERSE: Amos 5:14

TIME: About 760 B. C. — PLACE: Amos prophesied principally at Bethel.

GOLDEN TEXT: Love worketh no ill to his neighbor: therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.—Rom. 13:10.

LEADING THOUGHT: No amount of ceremonies can take the place of true, heartfelt religion.

LESSON VERSE BY VERSE

LAMENTABLE DIRGE

V. 1. "Hear ye this word which I take up against you, even a lamentation, O house of Israel." The prophet really begins the lamentation of the downfall of Israel. He addresses the ten tribes in verse six. With Israel was included surrounding nations and people who would suffer the several judgments of Jehovah. Among them were Damascus, Chap. 1:3, involving the people of Syria and such cities as Gaza, Ashkelon, Ekron, Tyrus. Judgments are also pronounced against the children of Ammon and Moab, also against the children of Judah. Chapters 1-5 are a complete denunciation of the sins of the heathen into which Israel and Judah had fallen, after which follows the lamentation.

COUNSEL DESPISED

V. 10. "They hate him that rebuketh in the gate." The gate of the eastern cities was the place of public resort, Prov. 1:21, either for business, Deut. 25:7 or administration of justice, 2 Sam. 15:2; or for gossip, so that he that rebuketh in the gate may be judge or prophet. Here the prophet would naturally find the largest audience. "And they abhor him that speaketh uprightly." Among those would naturally be kings, chiefs, and judges who would hate reproof. Jesus said, "Woe unto you when all men speak well of you." To speak uprightly, which literally means perfectly, that is, without reserve or keeping nothing back. Such practice will evoke criticism and abhorrence from the wicked.

V. 11. "Forasmuch therefore as your trading is upon the poor." "Therefore" indicates that they have refused reproof and continue to trample upon the poor. The Greek and Hebrew rendering means to smite with the fists. The rich were by oppression trampling the life out of the poor. Such practice is greatly increased today in our Christian civilization. "And ye take from him burdens of wheat," perhaps means a tax exercised for benevolent services rendered. If the poor received justice in time of judgment it was usually paid for, otherwise they were not considered. "Ye have built houses of hewn stone." Such houses were a mark of luxury and wealth. "But ye shall not dwell in them." Such is the punishment for their evil doings. The land was to be

made desolate by the invasion of the Assyrians who would destroy their property, Micah 6:15; Zeph. 1:13. "Ye have planted pleasant vineyards." Some of these may have been acquired like Ahab took possession of the vineyard of Naboth. "But ye shall not drink wine of them." Wine drinking was a high sport among the Jews and also among Israel, 2 Sam. 13:21; Job 1:13; Psa. 75:8; 78:65; Prov. 20:1; 23:30; Isa. 5:11; 22:13; 24:11; 28:1-7. In God's judgments such indulgence will be stayed.

JEHOVAH'S COMPLAINT

V. 12. "For I know your manifold transgressions and your mighty sins." That is, their sins of oppression and injustice. See Psa. 73:11; Job 22:13. Sin is religious rebellion, and transgression is habitual variation from the right. "They afflict the just." Trampling down both him and his cause. These should have been protected by the rulers of the land. "They take a bribe." The reference is perhaps to an amount of money paid to judges or magistrates, that the guilty may escape the consequences of punishment for crime. See 1 Sam. 12:3; Prov. 6:35. Such was in direct opposition to the law which forbade any ransom to be taken for the life of a murderer, Num. 35:31. "And they turn aside the poor in the gate from their right." That is, in the place of judgment the poor were denied their right or what was justly due unto them. The reference is to the resting of judgment in the case of the poor and not giving him justice unless he could pay for it. See Exod. 23:6; Deut. 16:19.

V. 13. "Therefore the prudent shall keep silence in that time; for it is an evil time." The evidence points to the fact that if the wise would give their opinion or judgment under such conditions that it would not be accepted and ordinarily they would prefer to keep quiet, and the prophet even feels that his reproof is useless. See Jer. 7:27; Hosea 4:1, 17. The prophet cannot however restrain his call, Ezek. 33:3; Mal. 2:3. The evil time is a time of calamity.

ISRAEL ADMONISHED

V. 14. "Seek good, and not evil, that ye may live." He appeals to them to use the same diligence to seek and pursue after good as they have the evil, as their only hope of safety lies in such an amendment. "And so the Lord, the God of hosts." That is, Jehovah Sabaoth, the

Lord of the armies of heaven. The Israelites seemed to think because they had covenant relation with God that He would always be with them under any circumstances. Their reply to Christ was, "We be Abraham's seed and never were in bondage to any man." "Shall be with you, as ye have spoken." Provided that they seek good and not evil.

V. 15. "Hate the evil, and love the good." A repetition of the preceding verse but emphasizing that to hate the evil and to love the good would be more powerful as a means of reform than merely seeking them. "And establish judgment in the gate." By maintaining justice in their tribunals. In contrast to verse seven the intent is that Jehovah might have mercy upon them. "It may be that the Lord God of hosts will be gracious unto the remnant of Joseph." Remnant suggests the possibility of only a few being saved or spared and escape the heavy chastisement which pointed to the final ruin of their city and nation. The remnant of Joseph instead of Ephraim aligns them with their forefather who received the patriarchal blessing of Jacob, Isa. 6:13; 10:21; Joel 2:32; Rom. 11:4.

ISRAEL'S LACK OF TRUE DEVOTION

V. 21. "I hate, I despise your feast days." Their outward and formal worship would not avert the threatened judgments of Jehovah nor secure His favor in the day of visitation. "And I will not smell in your solemn assemblies." "No sweet savour ascends unto God from such savour, so the phrase is equivalent to, I will not accept, I will take no delight in it, Gen. 8:21; Exod. 19:18; Lev. 26:31." Their solemn assemblies was the keeping of their great festival.

V. 22. "Though ye offer me burnt offerings and your meat offerings." The burnt offerings were animal sacrifices offered on the great altar of the temple. Meal offerings consisted of white meal, cakes of unleavened bread, or roasted ears of grain, offered on the altar with the burnt offering partly consumed and partly belonging to the priests. "I will not accept them." The offerings of sacrifices without sincerity and true devotion are not accepted. "If I regard iniquity in my heart the Lord will not hear me."—David. "Neither will I regard the peace offerings of your fat beasts." That is, beasts especially fattened for sacrifice.

V. 23. "Take thou away from me the noise of thy songs." Their songs and hymns of praise were mere noise in God's ear. They lacked the holy harmony incident to rejoicing which music incites. See Isa. 1:14; 16:8; Ezek. 23:13. "For I will not hear the melody of thy viols." Translated "psaltery" and was a kind of harp. Josephus described it as having twelve strings played by the fingers. Music, both instrumental and vocal, was used in the temple worship, 1 Chron. 16:42; 23:5; 25, but now rejected. A foreshadowing of the rejection of their national life.

V. 24. "But let judgment run down as waters." The land should be flooded with

judgment and righteousness from God instead of oppression and tyranny. "He bids them let judgment which had hitherto been perverted in its course roll on like a mighty tide of waters, sweeping before it all hindrances, filling the whole land with righteousness. "And righteousness as a mighty stream." Righteousness would refresh the land and satisfy the soul of the thirsty, mighty in its transforming powers against the wicked devices mentioned by the prophet.

NOTICES

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seer, Box 4, Glamorgan, Va.

It will soon be time for our revival here near Lincoln, Tenn. and as this is a new field for the Church of God, I want a well established brother who has had lots of experience to come and help us. We need one who is well read and is able to handle the doctrine as the Church of God has never been preached in this country that I know of. I will take care of you. Write Lee C. Swinford, Rt. 2, Hazel Green, Ala.

To whom it may concern: Geo. Stith, col. is no longer a member or minister in the Church of God. He has joined another church.—G. Byrd, state overseer.

To all those interested in attending the Arkansas state convention and camp meeting at Forrest City, Aug. 31-Sept. 9: We invite all who can to come and bring your camping outfit and help us make this a great feast of good things with the Lord. You who are sick and afflicted with whatever diseases you may have, the Lord is able to heal you if you will come believing. I have had the sick and afflicted come to me as far as 690 miles and go back healed. Sister Wilson came from Decatur, Ala. with a tumor and goiter but went back home free from both. Others have come with cancer and been healed. If you are sick, come and get your healing.

To the churches in Arkansas: Don't forget that you are expected to bring all you can of chickens, eggs, some of those good old country hams and potatoes, and everything that is good to eat, and let us put this state over the top for God. Come on, brother, let us do our best and see the results in the end. If we shirk and delay it will not pay. A crown is given to those who will obey. If you want to win just fight unto the end and we will

reach that land of eternal perfect day.—Your brother in Christ, L. G. Rouse, overseer of Arkansas.

The Church of God at Ft. Pierce, Fla. wants to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of C. W. Smith, Ludy Smith, Bessie Johns, and Lula Bridges. Report to the writer. If not heard from by next quarterly conference, your names will be dropped from our church books.—C. J. Curry, clerk. Box 1934, Ft. Pierce, Fla.

The Harlan county district convention of Kentucky will convene at Twila, Ky., Aug. 2-5. Everybody is welcome. Come and enjoy a feast from the Lord.—S. B. McCane, pastor.

The Atlanta district convention will convene in Atlanta, Aug. 18, 19 inclusive. All churches in the district will be expected to report. Our state overseer, J. W. Culpepper, will be in charge.—A. Gann.

I praise the Lord for the way He is working with the people here. The Y. P. E. is moving on at Crumleys Chapel. We thank the good Lord for the service Sunday night. We are glad of all the workers here. The revival started at Crumleys Chapel July 29th and will go as long as the Lord leads. We are expecting the Sumiton band, also the Gilley quartet. Everybody is welcome.—Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Anglin, Heflin, Ala.

REQUESTS

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Cahaba Valley Road, between the Florida short-cut highway and the Montgomery, Ala., about one and one-half miles east of the Montgomery highway. Pray for us, also come and be with us if you can.—E. M. Smith and Kile Adams.

Saints, pray for us to be loyal to the church. We want to be humble so the Lord can use us. We have two little children and want to bring them up in the way they should go.—A brother and sister in Christ, Jake and Mattie Lee McIntyre, Rt. 1, Bx. 54, Coffeeville, Ala.

Please pray for the healing of my body. I have been afflicted for sometime.—A sister under the blood, Mrs. Frank Smith, Bradley Junction, Fla.

I have a special request for prayer and ask every one to pray. I have a friend who wants everybody to pray that the Lord will bless them. Pray that the Lord will heal my body.—Your sister in Christ, Emma Sullivan, Belton, S. C.

I ask the saints of The Church of God everywhere to remember me in prayer that the Lord will heal me of heart attacks. I am willing for the Lord to have His way with me.—Your brother in Christ, Rufus Hubbard, Laurinburg, N. C.

I praise the Lord for healing my little boy of whooping cough. I requested prayer for him March 17th and on the 19th he went back to school after having missed five weeks. He also healed him of a bad headache and restored my hearing which I feared was gone. Praise His name! Dear saints, pray for me. I don't get to go to service as there is no Church of God here in this community. My heart aches to be with God's children. Pray that God will send laborers here and that a Church of God may be established. Sister Della Sells, write to me if you see this. I was a backslider the last time I saw you in Logan, W. Va. Saints everywhere, pray for me to stay true until Jesus comes or calls for me. Pray for my loved ones.—Yours for Him, Mrs. Mabelle Richardson, Peebles, Ohio, Rt. 6.

I have been praying for God to send some one here and thank God Brother V. W. Blankenship is here. Now we want all of you to pray for us. This is a new place and there are many sinners here. We are going to pray for the meeting each morning at 10:30. Please help us pray for this work. We want the Lord to give us a Church of God here. We want a Sunday School too. Brother Blankenship has been here only a week but God is blessing.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Sylvia Shaomkey, Ingram Branch, W. Va.

Last April I was called home on account of the affliction of my mother. She is still badly afflicted with dropsy and I can't leave to be in revivals. Pray that God will undertake for us.—A brother, Geo. Lee Cravens, Russell Springs, Ky.

We are in the midst of a revival

in Cramerton, N. C., with Brother T. C. Franklin in charge. We are expecting great results and ask that all pray especially for this to be the greatest revival ever held here. All are cordially invited to come and help us.—Humbly, Ray Collins, pastor.

We are to begin a revival at the Church of God in Taylorsville, N. C. Aug. 5 with Brother McDaniel and wife in charge. Please pray for the success of this meeting. We are only a small number here but God is wonderfully blessing our efforts as we are trying to give the Word to the people.—Yours in His service, Albert Childers, pastor.

While at Harrisburg, Ill., we were preaching to a large crowd and the brass and string bands from Eldorado were there every night. Brother Yates, the pastor was as good a man to work with as I have ever seen, but we were not having as good success at the altar as usual. I got under a burden and began to cry day and night, "O God, am I in your will, or what is the matter?" God told me he was done with me there and told me to go to Laurel county, Kentucky. There is no Church of God in this county that I know of. Everything fell into our hands that we needed and we are here. The tent that belonged to the State of Kentucky was given to us and we have a beautiful lot in this small town, free. We pitched the first Church of God tent that we know anything about, in Laurel county on July 13. The devil said nobody would come but I told the Lord I would preach if He would send the people out. On the second week the tide turned. Last night the congregation was estimated at six hundred. We have a large crowd every night. Dear reader, please pray for conviction to settle down on the people here and they will fall in the altar and get saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost.—Your brother, "Happy" Tom Brooks, E. Bernstadt, Ky.

We are in the battle for the Lord here. We are beginning the third week of the meeting. Fourteen have been saved and sanctified; four were saved last night. Oh, if people could just realize the need of prayer in this needy field, they would fall on their faces this morning and cry out to God for

victory for us and for the church, and put forth every effort they could to see a work go over in this place. There isn't a Church of God in this country. I think the nearest church is at least one hundred miles from us. I am doing my best and want you folks to pray for me. God is able and there are good prospects for a work here. I am in this meeting at Swink, only four miles east of Ft. Towson, Okla., right on the highway. We preached about a week and a half before any one would make a move. Please help with your prayers. We have been hindered much on account of lack of finance. Send me your old Church of God papers to hand out. Brother J. R. Tapp is with me and Brother W. C. Payne has been with us some—C. M. Barrett, Ft. Towson, Okla.

Dear Evangel readers, we want you to pray for our brush arbor meeting which will begin Aug. 5, Brother R. H. Bell and wife in charge. God is working here. Four have been saved since the revival closed the first part of June. Pray for God to heal my body. I have trusted him for more than six years and he has always healed in our family.—A sister, Mrs. J. J. Phillips, Rt. 4, Bx. 180, Bethel, Ohio.

Saints, please pray for my five girls and five boys to be saved at any cost. I have prayed and tried to consecrate but the enemy works so hard. I know victory is ahead if I am true. Please help me pray for them. Ask the Lord to make a way that we can take them to a Church of God meeting. Also pray for us to find work. I would like for Sister Rufus Martin to write me.—One who loves the Lord, Florence Norton, c/o J. W. Washburn, Rt. 1, Seminole, Okla.

Please pray for the revival which began at Rainbow, Ohio, on the Muskingum river, July 28. Pray for me and that God will give an ingathering of precious souls.—Mrs. S. E. Barr, Pine Grove, W. Va.

Please have a special prayer for my healing—H. E. Ramsey, Mt. Airy, N. C.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Southern West Virginia Y. P. E. convention will be held at Logan, W. Va. all day Sunday, Aug. 19th. We expect H. N. Scoggins, state overseer, and Sister Harrison, editor of the Lighted Pathway, to be present. Come on, Y.P.E's., bring your musical instruments and a well prepared program. Carl Carder, State Supt.

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DEATH NOTICES

LITTON

William Marion Litton was born May 25, 1853 and died July 8, 1934, age eighty-one years, one month, and thirteen days. His testimony was that he was ready to go. Funeral services were conducted by Brother Dave Leonard of Bristol and interment was made in the Oak Grove cemetery.—His son, H. W. Litton, clerk.

HEUITTE

Our darling little Veater Jane died April 19, 1934 at the age of three years, two months, and three days. Interment was made in the Airline cemetery. The funeral was conducted by Brother Marshall Austin.—Her mother, Mrs. Frank Heuitte, Mayo, Fla.

HEUITTE

Our darling daughter Arilla died July 1, 1934 at the age of fourteen years, seven months, and eleven days. We have a sweet assurance that she is at rest. Funeral was conducted by Brother John Land and interment was made in the Airline cemetery.—Her mother, Mrs. Frank Heuitte, Mayo, Fla.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends, neighbors, brothers and sisters who assisted us in our little girl's sickness and death, and for the floral offerings. May God bless you one and all.—Mrs. Frank Heuitte, Mayo, Fla.

JOHNSON

Sister Ann Johnson departed this life June 14, 1934. She was a faithful member of the Church of God at 11 French St., Jamaica,—S. C. Scully.

JENKINS

Helen Mae Jenkins, age one year, seven months, and seven days, died July 15, 1934. She was the little daughter of my brother, C. G. Jenkins. Funeral was conducted by Brother Henry Ruebeener and interment was made in Marken cemetery. — Mattie Glegghern, Doudy, Ark.

GOD'S REMEDY FOR ATHEISM

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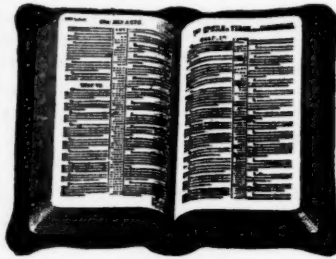
heart and teach us to love one another and also to love our enemies. However, it does at the same time

give determination concerning that which is right. Among all the list of atheists there cannot be nor will there ever be found a list of such defiant and determined heroes as are found listed in the history of the Israelites and that of the Christian church. The only thing is, the Christian stands for

one thing and the atheist stands for another. God alone can inspire the Christian for the task of standing for that which is right and He alone can impose suitable judgments upon atheists to convince them of the fact of the existence of a living God.

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Christ is tempted. He beginneth to preach. ST. MATTHEW, 4, 5.

13 ¶ Then cometh Jē'sus *from Gāl'lee to Jōr'dan unto Jōhn, to be baptized of him.

14 But Jōhn forbad him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me?

15 And Jē'sus, answering said unto him, Suffer it to be so now; for thus it becometh us to *fulfill all righteousness. Then he suffered him.

16 And Jē'sus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw *the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him:

17 And *'lo a voice from heaven, saying, *This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

A. D. 28. 13 And leaving Nāz'ā-rēth, he came and dwelt in Cā-pē'rā-thim, which is upon the sea coast, in the borders of Zāb'u-lon and Nēph'thā-lim:

14 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by E-sā'as the prophet, saying,

15 The *land of Zāb'u-lon, and the land of Nēph'thā-lim, by the way of the sea, beyond Jōr'dan, Gāl't-lee of the Gēn'tiles;

16 The *people which sat in darkness saw great light; and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death light is sprung up.

17 ¶ From * that time Jē'sus began to preach, and to say, *Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

18 ¶ And * Jē'sus, walking by the

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